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Chief Clerk Andrea M. McCue Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: PS Docket No. 07-114

Dear Secretary Dortch:

I have always felt strongly about safety. I constantly tell my two young boys one of my main jobs, as a parent is to keep them safe. I feel the same way about each of my constituents. As a County Commissioner one of my primary concerns is the safety of the residents of Lancaster County.

That is why I am writing in support of the FCC's initiative on indoor location accuracy standards. In today's world technology provides us with enormous advantages but falls short in regard to safety as it relates to the accuracy of GPS indoors. When you consider that over 70% of 911 calls are made from cell phones and over half of those calls are from cell phones being used indoors it is imperative that we have the most advanced technology at our fingertips. I was recently made aware of the difficulties in pinpointing someone's exact location if they are calling for help from a cell phone indoors.

In a county like Lancaster that has both urban apartment buildings housing elderly and rural communities, it is critical to be able to respond quickly in cases of emergency. This issue is literally a matter of life and death. Cell phone companies are not addressing this need in a comprehensive and effective manner. However, the FCC initiative is a much needed solution to a serious safety risk.

This issue should not be one driven by money or politics but rather by the concern for human life and the welfare of those we serve. I ask that you move on the FCC's initiative so that we can rest easy knowing those that need help will receive it in a timely manner in Lancaster County and all throughout this great Commonwealth.

With Regards

Scott Martin

County Commissioner

Cc: Sen. Bob Casey, Jr.

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